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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of tissue suppression during gradient echo imaging comprising the steps of:

identifying a set of user-selected imaging parameters for a prescribed MR data acquisition of a targeted tissue;